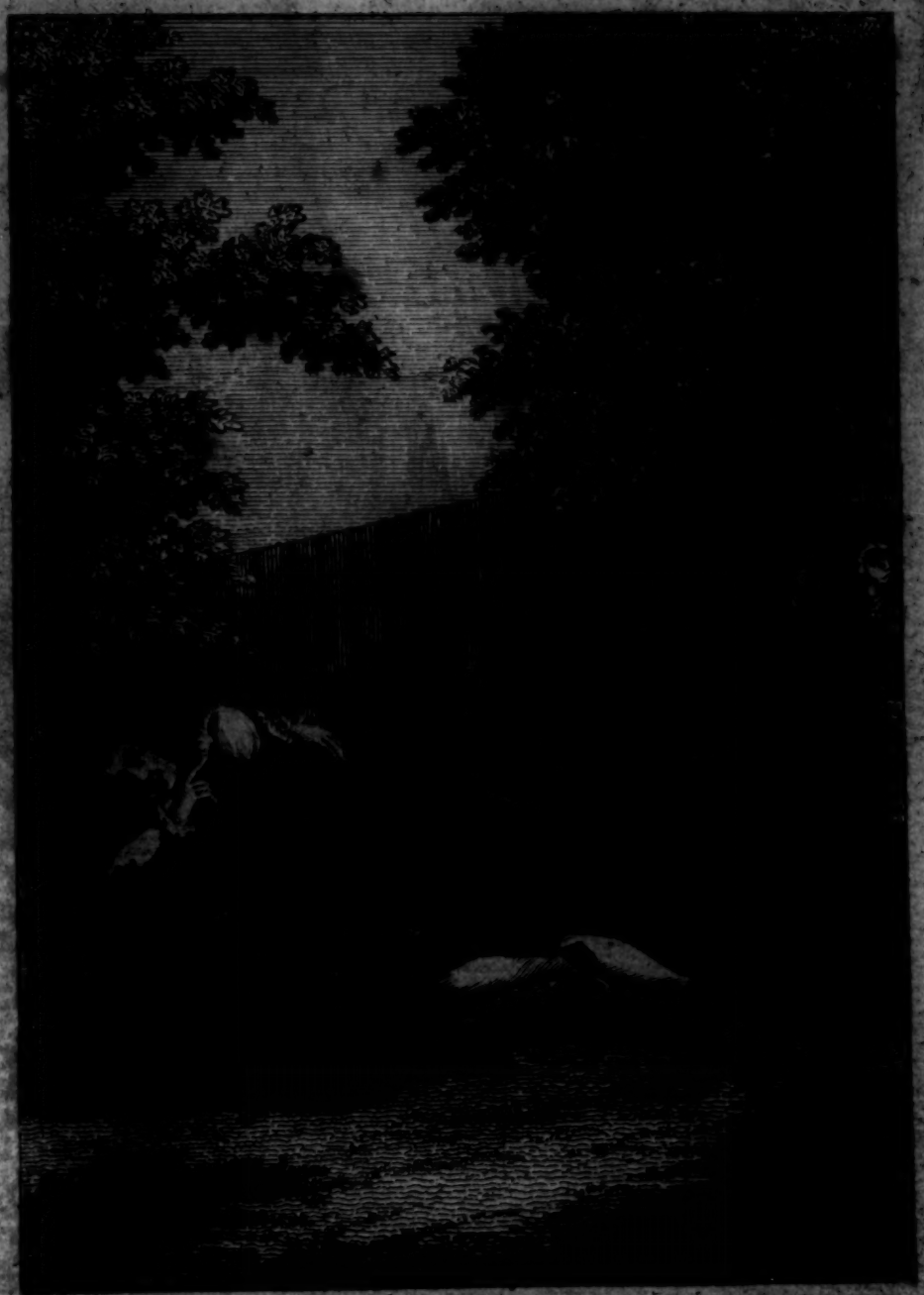

M.r S_n and M.rs A_n in the Shrubery.

THE

# TRIAL

OF

## Mrs. Henrietta Arabin,

Wife of WILLIAM JOHN ARABIN, Esq. of Moulsey, in the County of Surry, Major of the Horse-Guards,

IN THE

## *Bishop of London's Court,*

AT DOCTORS COMMONS,

FOR COMMITTING

# ADULTERY

WITH

THOMAS SUTTON, ESQUIRE, Junior, of MOULSEY, in the County of SURRY.

In which is given,

The Whole of the Depositions, and Interrogations, of the several Witnesses, fully describing the critical, amorous and humorous Scenes in this unparalleled Trial.

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# THE TRIAL OF *Mrs. ARABIN*, FOR ADULTERY.

*February* 13, 1786.

*Deposition of James Bradley.*

JAMES BRADLEY, of Lower Moulsey, in the county of Surry, labouring-man, aged about thirty-five years, a witness produced and sworn.

To the seventh and fourteenth articles of the said Libel, this deponent saith, That he has for many years lived and resided at

Moulſey aforeſaid. That between ſix and ſeven years ago, to the beſt of his recollection and belief as to the time, Major Arabin and his wife, the parties in this cauſe, came to live there, and the deponent by that means came perſonally to know them; that he alſo perſonally knows Thomas Sutton, the younger, Eſquire, and has ſo known him ſome years, his father, Squire Sutton, reſiding at the ſame place, and being lord of the manor. And this deponent further ſaith, That one day, in the ſummer of the year one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty-two, as this deponent and William Harwood, a labouring man, were walking together up Moulſey-Common, by a place called Littlehales' Shrubbery, the ſaid William Harwood ſtopped him and ſaid, 'they ſhould ſee ſome game,' and pointing into the ſhrubbery, this deponent ſaw Mrs. Arabin, the wife of the ſaid Major Arabin, upon the ground therein, with her petticoats up, and the ſaid Thomas Sutton, Eſquire, the younger, upon her, in the very act of adultery, as this deponent moſt

firmly

firmly believes; and when they had finiſhed, this deponent ſaw him get up and help the ſaid Mrs. Arabin up from the ground, and ſaw him button up his breeches, and wipe his breeches-knees with his handkerchief, and they then walked away together; and this deponent is certain as to their perſons, having ſeen them ſo frequently, and being at no greater diſtance from them than about a dozen yards, and a fine clear day. And he further ſaith, That he has, at various times, ſeen the ſaid Mrs. Arabin and Thomas Sutton, Eſquire, the younger, walking and riding out alone, together in and about the neighbourhood of Mouſſey, both before and after the circumſtance he has herein before depoſed to; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid articles.

The mark of
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JAMES BRADLEY.

*February* 6, 1786.

*Depoſition of Maria Haynes.*

MARIA HAYNES, (wife of James Haynes) of Chertſey, in the county of Surry, aged about thirty years, a witneſs produced and ſworn.

To the thirteenth article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith, That ſhe for many years, until about the laſt three years, lived and reſided at Eaſt-Moulſey, in the county of Surry, or in the neighbourhood thereof, and by that means came perſonally to know Major Arabin and his wife, the parties in this cauſe, between three or four years before this; and this deponent, by the ſame means, came to know young Mr. Sutton, whoſe father alſo lives there, and is lord of the manor. And ſhe further ſays, That one day, between four and five years ago, as near as ſhe can recollect the time,

time, and between two and three o'clock in the afternoon, as ſhe remembers, it was hay-making time, as ſhe was paſſing through a meadow, cloſe by Moulſey-Common, ſhe ſaw the ſaid Mr. Sutton and Mrs. Arabin, (the wife of the ſaid Major Arabin) walking together alone, upon ſuch common, as ſhe had frequently done before, and preſently afterwards ſhe obſerved them to go into a hollow way, leading to a place called the Spa; and the ſaid Mrs. Arabin ſat herſelf down upon the bank, formed by ſuch hollow, and the ſaid Mr. Sutton unbuttoned his breeches, and gently throwing himſelf upon her, he pulled up her clothes, and this deponent plainly ſaw him in the act of carnal copulation with her, being at no greater diſtance from them than about three or four yards, and was concealed from them by the trees and buſhes which grew about the place. That after remaining four or five minutes upon her, he, the ſaid Mr. Sutton, got up, and having helped the ſaid Mrs. Arabin up, he gave her a kiſs, and they then walked away

together

together; and further ſhe knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

The mark of
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MARIA HAYNES.

*February*

*February* 16, 1786.

*Depoſition of James Poulter.*

JAMES POULTER, of Vauxhall, in the county of Surry, gardener, aged twenty-ſeven years, a witneſs produced and ſworn.

To the ſixth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That about four or five years ago, ſome time in the ſpring of the year, he went to live in the ſervice of Major Arabin and his wife, the parties in this cauſe, in the capacity of a gardener and footman in their houſe, ſituated at Eaſt-Moulſey, in the county of Surry, and continued in ſuch their ſervice for about half a year; that ſuch houſe was their ſummer reſidence, and this deponent underſtood they rented the ſame of Squire Sutton, who lived upon his eſtate there, and was lord of the manor; that an acquaintance ſubſiſted between

tween the two families, and in particular between Mr. Sutton the younger, the ſon of the ſaid Eſquire Sutton, and Mrs. Arabin, the wife of the ſaid Major Arabin, as heretofore mentioned; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the ſeventh article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith, That very ſoon after he went to live in the ſervice of the ſaid Major Arabin, he obſerved that the ſaid Mr. Sutton, junior, paid very particular attention to his miſtreſs, the ſaid Mrs. Arabin, with which ſhe appeared very well pleaſed; and during the time he ſo lived in the ſaid Major Arabin's ſervice, this deponent has very frequently ſeen them, in the abſence of his ſaid maſter, walking out alone together, arm in arm, in different places about Moulſey, particularly in a ſhrubbery called Littlehales' Shrubbery, belonging to the ſaid Eſquire Sutton. And this deponent further ſaith, That his ſaid miſtreſs, about two or three times a week, uſed to ride out on horſeback, attended by the deponent; that almoſt

moſt conſtantly when ſhe did ſo, the ſaid Mr. Sutton, junior, uſed to meet her, and ride with her upon Moulſey-Common, near a place called the Spa; and if he appeared not to be there as ſoon as Mrs. Arabin, which was now and then the caſe, ſhe uſed to ſend the deponent home on ſome trifling errand, that ſhe might, as the deponent verily believes, have an opportunity of waiting for him; that whilſt they have been ſo riding together, the deponent has more than once or twice ſeen the ſaid Mr. Sutton kiſs and take other liberties with the deponent's miſtreſs, on horſeback; particularly this deponent has ſeen the ſaid Mr. Sutton put his hand in her pocket-hole, as it appeared ſo to the deponent; and upon her return home, ſhe has twice or thrice, in the hearing of the deponent, told his ſaid maſter, ſhe had been at Siddon-Wells, a place where ladies bathe, when ſhe has not been there, but has been riding elſewhere with the ſaid Mr. Sutton; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the ninth, tenth, and eleventh articles, he knows not to depoſe to his own knowledge.

The mark of

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JAMES POULTER.

*February*

*February* 23, 1786.

*Depoſition of James Lawrence Brown.*

JAMES LAWRENCE BROWN, in lodgings at the houſe of Mrs. Shepperd, a widow woman, ſituate in Edward-ſtreet, Cavendiſh-ſquare, in the county of Middleſex, ſerving-man, aged thirty years, a witneſs produced and ſworn.

To the ninth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That he lived ſervant with the articulate George Molyneux, Eſquire, from about April, 1778, until ſome time in the month of Auguſt, 1780; and by that means came to know William John Arabin, Eſquire, and Henrietta Arabin his wife, the parties in this cauſe, his maſter, the ſaid George Molyneux, Eſquire; being the brother of the ſaid Henrietta Arabin, and frequently viſiting her and her ſaid huſband; and he further ſaith, that one Sunday in the ſummer of the year 1779 or

1780, and he rather inclines to think the latter, he, this deponent, being at the houſe of the ſaid William John Arabin, of Eaſt-Moulſey, in the county of Surry; and his maſter and the ſaid Mr. John Arabin being gone out together, Betty Dodſon, a ſervant in the family, ſome ſhort time afterwards informed him, that her miſtreſs, the ſaid Henrietta Arabin, and Mr. Sutton (whom this deponent knew by ſight) were in the parlour together; and in about three quarters of an hour afterwards, this deponent being in the kitchen, heard the parlour door open, and going to ſee, had juſt a glimps of Mr. Sutton, as he was going out of the houſe at the front door; and this deponent, at the ſame time, ſaw the ſaid Henrietta Arabin come out of the ſaid parlour; that preſently afterwards the ſaid Betty Dodſon called the deponent into ſuch parlour, and this deponent remembers obſerving one of the windows therein very much blinded, and an arm-chair ſtanding near ſuch window, very much tumbled and powdered, and ſeveral black pins upon it; and juſt before

fore ſuch chair, upon the ground, this deponent ſaw ſome ſeed or matter, which comes from man in the act of copulation, and upon obſerving the ſame, he called the ſaid Betty Dodſon to him, and pointed with his foot to the ſame; and ſhe looked at it, and ſmiled; and this deponent was thereby induced to believe, and does in his conſcience, that the ſaid Mr. Sutton and Henrietta Arabin, at that time, had the carnal uſe and knowledge of each others bodies; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

JAMES LAWRENCE BROWN.

*February*

*February* 13, 1786.

*Depoſition of Thomas Girdler.*

THOMAS GIRDLER, ſervant to Mr. Young, of Hare-Hatch, in the county of Berks, aged ſeventeen years, a witneſs produced and ſworn.

To the fifth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That on the third of June, one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty-two, he went to live in the ſervice of William John Arabin, and Henrietta Arabin, his wife, the parties in this cauſe, in the capacity of a footboy, and continued in ſuch their ſervice until ſometime in or about the month of June, one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty-four; that his maſter, the ſaid William John Arabin, always, as far as fell under the deponent's notice, behaved very well to his miſtreſs, the ſaid Mrs. Arabin, and appeared to live very happily with her;

her; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the ſixth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That his ſaid maſter and miſtreſs uſed a town-houſe or lodgings, ſituated in Poland-ſtreet, near Oxford-road, and country-houſe ſituated at Eaſt-Moulſey, in the county of Surry, at the latter of which they reſided with their family for about ſix or ſeven months of the year; that this deponent underſtood that they rented ſuch country-houſe of Mr. Sutton, a gentleman who lived upon his eſtate there, and was lord of the manor; that his ſaid maſter and Mr. Sutton occaſionally viſited each other, and a very great intimacy ſeemed to ſubſiſt between his miſtreſs, the ſaid Mrs. Arabin, and young Mr. Sutton, the ſon of the ſaid Mr. Sutton, who uſed, as the deponent believes, chiefly to reſide with his ſaid father at Moulſey as aforeſaid; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the ſeventh article of the ſaid Libel, this

this deponent ſaith, That during ſuch the reſidence of the family at Eaſt-Moulſey, aforeſaid, the ſaid Mr. Sutton uſed to be very much with his ſaid miſtreſs in the abſence of his ſaid maſter, at which ſhe always ſeemed very much pleaſed; and they very frequently walked out alone together, arm in arm; and at other times uſed to ride out together; and this deponent has ſeen them take liberties with each other, as herein after is more particularly mentioned.

To the eighth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That his maſter was a Major in the Horſe-guards; that he was at times a good deal from home, being obliged to be in London, as the deponent underſtood, to attend his duty. That in his abſence, this deponent has, ſeveral times, known his miſtreſs, and the ſaid Mr. Sutton the younger, to be ſhut up alone in the parlour at his maſter's houſe, at Moulſey. At ſuch times, after they have left the rooms, this deponent has found the chairs and carpet covered with powder, ſeveral

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black pins laying upon them, and, in general, in ſuch condition, that denoted that ſome perſons had been laying upon them. That at ſuch times as his ſaid miſtreſs went out, walking or riding, with the ſaid Mr. Sutton, the deponent obſerved, that ſhe was particularly neat and ſmart in her dreſs; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the fifteenth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That one evening, in the month of October, in the year ſeventeen hundred and eighty-three, to the beſt of his remembrance as to the time, and not in the year ſeventeen hundred and eighty-two, (as pleaded in the ſaid article) his maſter, and all the family and ſervants, except his ſaid miſtreſs, and him the deponent, being from home, gone, as this deponent underſtood, to a play at Mr. Hobart's, at Ham-Common, his ſaid miſtreſs, between eight and nine o'clock in the evening, ſent him out to fetch a pot of beer, and upon his return with the ſame, ſhe came

into the kitchin to him and took the beer, and carried the ſame into the parlour herſelf; that about eleven o'clock at night, the parlour-bell rung, and upon this deponent going into the room, his miſtreſs told him to take away the pot, which this deponent found quite empty; from which circumſtance, and her not calling upon him to wait upon her as uſual, this deponent was induced to believe, and does believe, the ſaid Mr. Sutton was the greater part of ſuch evening with her; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the ſixteenth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That on the next evening his maſter being from home, and gone, as the deponent underſtood, on the like occaſion, to Mr. Hobart's, this deponent ſuſpecting, that his ſaid miſtreſs, and Mr. Sutton the younger, were in the parlour together, though he had not heard him come into the houſe, determined him to look through the key-hole; and pulling off his ſhoes, he went ſoftly to the

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parlour-door, and liſtening, he heard the voices of two perſons, and the creeking of a chair; and looking through the key-hole, he, by the light of the fire, ſaw his ſaid miſtreſs, and Mr. Sutton the younger, in an arm-chair cloſe to each other; upon ſeeing which, this deponent returned, and aſked William Charles (a lad now about fourteen years old, that his maſter kept) to come with him, which he did; and they both went to the door and looked through the key-hole; and this deponent ſaw his miſtreſs, and the ſaid Mr. Sutton, in the ſame ſituation; and this deponent believes, at the ſame time, they committed adultery together. And the next morning this deponent, going into the ſaid parlour, ſaw one of the chairs very much tumbled and powdered, with ſeveral black pins on it; and this deponent particularly noticed the print of a man's foot upon the whole ſill of the window, occaſioned, as the deponent moſt firmly believes, by the ſaid Mr. Sutton the younger, in getting in at the window, that he might with greater ſecreſy

come into the houſe; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the ſeventeenth article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith, That another time, about two or three months afterwards, his maſter being from home, his miſtreſs ordered the cloth for dinner to be laid in the library-room, oppoſite the bed-chamber door; that after dinner ſhe came into the kitchen, and ordered the deponent to get ſome large coals, and leave them at the top of the ſtairs, ſaying, ſhe would take them in herſelf; and this deponent accordingly did ſo, and ſaw no more of her that evening. That upon going into the room the next morning, this deponent found the carpet and chairs very much powdered, and ſeveral black pins laying about; and in the inner room this deponent found the dinner-tray, and other things which had been uſed by his ſaid miſtreſs the day before; and this deponent was thereby induced to believe, and does believe, that his miſtreſs and Mr. Sutton were the whole of

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the afternoon ſhut up together; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the eighteenth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That during the reſidence of the family at Eaſt-Moulſey, aforeſaid, his miſtreſs often uſed to ride out, attended by the deponent; that ſhe was almoſt conſtantly met by the ſaid Mr. Sutton the younger, and they uſed to ride together; and frequently they have ordered the deponent to ride forwards from them, which the deponent accordingly has done and left them together; and ſometimes they have rode till very late in the evening; that at all times they have ſo rode together, the ſaid Mr. Sutton uſed to leave her before ſhe got home, never once, as the deponent remembers, attending her to her houſe; and ſhe has ſeveral times afterwards, in the deponent's hearing, told his maſter, that ſhe had not met any body; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

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To the nineteenth article the deponent ſaith, That after the return of the family to town for the winter in ſeventeen hundred and eighty-three, his maſter going, as he underſtood, to Eaſt-Moulſey, he had not long left the houſe, before the ſaid Mr. Sutton came and inquired of the deponent, whether his maſter or miſtreſs were at home; and the deponent in reply told him his maſter was gone into the country, and his miſtreſs gone out, having been ordered to deny her; but whilſt he was ſpeaking to the ſaid Mr. Sutton, Nanny Gatehouſe, her maid, came running down ſtairs, and told him her miſtreſs was at home, but dreſſing; and deſired he would walk ſomewhere, and call again in about half an hour: that he accordingly went away, and returned about that time, and was ſhewn, by the deponent, into the dining-room, and ſoon afterwards the ſaid Nanny Gatehouſe came to the deponent, and told him he was to deny his ſaid miſtreſs to every body elſe; the ſaid Mr. Sutton ſtayed with his ſaid miſtreſs, upon that occaſion, above an hour,

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and was alone with her, as he verily believes, the whole of the time; that upon this deponent going into the back room, into which the dining-room led, he obſerved two of the chairs to be very much powdered, particularly on the back-part of them; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

THOMAS GIRDLER.

*February*

*February* 5, 1786.

*Depoſition of Elizabeth Dodſon.*

ELIZABETH DODSON, wife of Fiſher Dodſon, of Thomas-ſtreet, Mile-End, New Town, aged thirty-three years, a witneſs produced and ſworn.

To the fourth article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith, That ſhe on or about the twenty-third day of January, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-nine, went to live in the ſervice of William John Arabin, Eſquire, and Henrietta Arabin, his wife, the parties in this cauſe, in the capacity of cook, and continued in ſuch their ſervice until ſome time in or about the month of Auguſt, one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty-two, and they all that time lived and cohabited together as man and wife, and owned and acknowledged each other as ſuch, and were ſo commonly accounted and reputed to be, and have had one child by

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their marriage, ſtill living, as the deponent believes.

To the fifth article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith, That her ſaid maſter, William John Arabin, was a Major in the Horſe-guards; that he conſtantly, as far as fell under the deponent's notice, behaved to his ſaid wife as became a good huſband, and was particular indulgent to her.

To the ſixth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That about four or five months after ſhe went to live in the ſaid ſervice, her maſter, the ſaid Major Arabin, together with his ſaid wife and family, went to reſide at his country-houſe, ſituate at Eaſt-Moulſey, in Surry, for the ſeaſon; and ſoon after they went to reſide there, the deponent obſerved that the articulate Thomas Sutton, Eſquire, whoſe father lived at Eaſt-Moulſey, began to be a pretty frequent viſitor at her maſter's houſe.

To the eighth article of this Libel, the

deponent ſaith, That in the month of May, 1779, that her ſaid maſter, with his wife and family, went to reſide at Moulſey, and they continued to reſide there until the month of January following; during all that time, this deponent obſerved, that Thomas Sutton, Eſquire, and her ſaid miſtreſs, took frequent opportunities of being alone together, and particularly at times when her maſter, the ſaid Major Arabin, was from home, which he chiefly was in the forenoon, being either out, or on horſe-back, or obliged, as the deponent underſtood, to attend his duty in London, as major in the horſe-guards; and as ſoon as he was ſet off, this deponent has frequently noticed that the ſaid Thomas Sutton has called at the houſe, and preſently afterwards, he, and her ſaid miſtreſs, have gone out walking and riding alone together; and at other times when her maſter has gone out, this deponent has ſeen the ſaid Thomas Sutton come into the field before the houſe, and her ſaid miſtreſs upon ſeeing him, would wave her handkerchief to him, and

then immediately put on her things and go to him; and they would then walk out alone together; and at all times, that this deponent obſerved them walking out alone together, they walked arm in arm; and this deponent has frequently ſeen them when they have been ſo walking together, go in a ſummer-houſe, which was at the bottom of a walk, ſome diſtance from her ſaid maſter's houſe; and frequently after they have been ſo walking, or riding out together, this deponent has obſerved, when her ſaid miſtreſs has returned, that her hair appeared tumbled and looſe about her head, and her dreſs very much diſordered, though when ſhe went out, was very particularly attentive to her dreſs.

To the ninth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That one Sunday afternoon, in the courſe of their reſidence at Eaſt-Moulſey, during the ſummer, either in the year one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty, or in the following year, but which the deponent cannot certainly remember,

her maſter, the ſaid Major Arabin, and Mr. Molyneux, the brother of her ſaid miſtreſs, went out together, but whether to ride or walk, ſhe cannot ſay; that ſoon afterwards the ſaid Thomas Sutton came to the houſe, and went into the parlour to the ſaid Mrs. Arabin, where this deponent had juſt before left her; that after they had remained in ſuch parlour, ſhut up alone together, for about half an hour, they went out; and this deponent going into the parlour immediately afterwards to look through the window, to ſee which way they were a going, found the curtains let down, though they were not ſo when the deponent left her in the parlour before-mentioned; that this deponent was followed into the room by Mr. Molyneux's ſervant, who was called Brown, and ſome of her fellow ſervants; and while the deponent was drawing up one of the curtains, the ſaid Brown called this deponent to him; and upon the ground, cloſe by an arm-chair, he ſhewed her ſome ſeed or matter, which comes from a man in the act of copulation, and aſked her if ſhe knew what it

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was? And upon attentively looking at the ſame, the deponent replied ſhe did; and the deponent can ſpeak poſitively thereto, being then a married woman; and upon looking upon the arm-chair, ſtanding near the ſame, this deponent found the cover of ſuch chair very much tumbled and dirted with hair-powder, and ſeveral black pins upon it; and this deponent was thereby induced to believe that, and does believe they, the ſaid Thomas Sutton and Mrs. Arabin, at that time, had the carnal knowledge of each other; and further to the ſaid article ſhe knows not to depoſe.

To the tenth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That towards the winter of the ſaid year, 1779, the ſaid Thomas Sutton and her ſaid miſtreſs uſed to walk alone together till very late in the evening in a ſhrubbery near the houſe, called the Manor-houſe, at Littlehales' Shrubbery, belonging to the father of the ſaid Thomas Sutton; and this deponent hath at ſuch times frequently ſeen them walking therein, arm in arm;

arm; and ſeveral times after the ſaid Thomas Sutton has left her, ſhe has come to the deponent, under the ſhed where the deponent was a milking, and ſat down and adjuſted her hair and dreſs, which has, upon thoſe occaſions, appeared very much tumbled and diſordered, though ſhe was neatly dreſſed when ſhe went out with the ſaid Thomas Sutton; and further ſhe knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the twelfth article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith, That after the ſaid Major Arabin and his family had returned to town in January, one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty, at his houſe in Poland-ſtreet, Oxford Road; and during the remainder of the winter, this deponent has frequently ſeen the ſaid Thomas Sutton walking by the houſe; and if, upon thoſe occaſions, the Major was not at home, ſhe, the ſaid Mrs. Arabin, uſed to go out, and call after him; and this deponent twice remembers ſeeing them meet in the ſtreet, when ſhe has been going to market; and

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upon their ſo meeting each other, they joined, and walked away arm in arm together; and further ſhe knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

ELIZABETH DODSON.

*March*

*March 21, 1786.*

*Depoſition of Thomas Parker.*

THOMAS PARKER, ſervant to William John Arabin, Eſquire, Major in his Majeſty's Horſe-guards, one of the parties in this cauſe, aged thirty-three years and upwards, a witneſs produced and ſworn.

To the third and fourth article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith; and to an exhibit of a paper-writing, (marked A.) therein pleaded and exhibited, this deponent ſaith, That on or about the twelfth day of February, ſeventeen hundred and ſeventy-nine, he went to live in the family of the ſaid Major Arabin, as ſervant to his mother, and continued in her ſervice until the February following, when ſhe died; and upon her death, the ſaid Major Arabin took the deponent into his ſervice, and this deponent has continued in the ſame ever ſince. And

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he further ſaith, That about the tenth of laſt October, by the direction of his ſaid maſter, he attended at the pariſh-church of St. Michan, in the city of Dublin, and ſearched the regiſter-book of marriages kept in and for the ſaid pariſh, and found an entry therein of the marriage of William John Arabin, Eſquire, and Henrietta Molyneux, ſpinſter; and this deponent made a copy or extract thereof, and after he had done, carefully examined the ſame with the ſaid original entry, and found the ſame to agree therewith; and he now leaves with the examiner, to be annexed to his depoſition, ſuch copy or extract; the exhibit, marked A, being now ſhewn him, he ſaith, that by comparing the ſaid exhibit with the copy or extract he made as aforeſaid, has enabled him to ſay ſuch exhibit is a true copy of the original entry of the ſaid marriage; and that William John Arabin, Eſquire, and Henrietta Arabin his wife, parties in this cauſe, were, and are the ſame perſons, as he verily apprehends and believes, and not diverſe; and he further ſaith,

That from the time he ſo went to live in the family, until ſome time in or about the month of Auguſt, ſeventeen hundred and eighty-three, they, the ſaid William John Arabin and Henrietta Arabin, lived and cohabited together as man and wife, and have a child living, and for lawful huſband and wife they owned and acknowledged each other, and were commonly accounted, reputed and taken to be, by and among their relations, neighbours, friends and acquaintances.

To the fifth article of the ſaid Libel, the deponent ſaith, That his maſter, the ſaid Major Arabin, during the whole time that he and his ſaid wife lived and cohabited together, always, as far as the deponent ſaw, behaved to her with great love and affection, and was a good huſband to her; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the eighth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That on or about the tenth of May, one thouſand ſeven hundred and

and ſeventy-nine, the ſaid Major Arabin, with his wife and family, went to reſide at his country-houſe, ſituated at Eaſt-Moulſey, in the county of Surry, and continued to reſide there until about the Chriſtmas following, when they went to town for the winter ſeaſon; that during ſuch their reſidence at Moulſey, this deponent has frequently ſeen the ſaid Henrietta Arabin, and the articulate Mr. Sutton, who was the ſon of a gentleman in the neighbourhood, walking together, arm in arm, in a ſhrubbery near the houſe, called the manor-houſe, or Littlehales' Shrubbery, belonging to the ſaid Mr. Sutton's father, and other places about Moulſey-Common, particularly at thoſe times when the ſaid Major Arabin was abſent from home, and obliged, as the deponent underſtood and believes, to attend his duty in London; and at ſuch times as they have been ſo walking together, the deponent has obſerved, when the ſaid Mrs. Arabin has returned, her hair tumbled, and her dreſs very much rumpled and diſordered; though, when ſhe went out, ſhe was

particularly neat and well dreſſed; and the deponent obſerved, ſhe was always ſo when ſhe has been going out to meet the ſaid Mr. Sutton; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the ninth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That one day, in the courſe of their reſidence at Eaſt-Moulſey, and as the deponent now beſt remembers and believes, during the ſummer of the year one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-nine, upon this deponent's entering into the houſe, after having been out for ſome time, his fellow witneſs, Betty Dodſon, and Lawrence Brown, informed him that there had been fine work in the parlour between Henrietta Arabin and Mr. Sutton, and deſired him to go in the parlour to ſee; that this deponent accordingly went into ſuch parlour, and obſerved an arm-chair very much tumbled, and a great deal of hair-powder upon it, and juſt before the chair, upon the ground, this deponent obſerved ſome wet, which appeared to have had a

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perſon's foot drawn over it; but what ſuch wet was, he could not of his own obſervation form an opinion, as the ſame was nearly rubbed out; that he remembers, that on that day, his maſter, the ſaid Major Arabin, and Mr. Molyneux, the brother of the ſaid Mrs. Arabin, then upon a viſit to them, had gone out together pretty early in the day, and did not return until upon duſk, in the evening; and further to the ſaid article he knows not to depoſe.

To the tenth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That, as before-mentioned, and particularly before the winter of the year one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-nine, he hath frequently ſeen the ſaid Henrietta Arabin, and Mr. Sutton, in the abſence of the ſaid Major Arabin, walking alone together in the ſhrubbery beforementioned; and referring to what he has before depoſed, he knows no further to depoſe to the ſaid article.

To the twelfth article of the ſaid Libel,

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this deponent ſaith, That after the return of the family to town, in December, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventy-nine, for the winter ſeaſon, and during the ſaid winter, the ſaid Henrietta Arabin has frequently gone out attended by the deponent, upon a pretence to pay viſits; but was almoſt conſtantly met in the ſtreet by the ſaid Mr. Sutton, and they have then walked together a conſiderable while; and upon her return has frequently, in the hearing of the deponent, told her ſaid huſband ſhe had been paying viſits to ſuch and ſuch perſons, whoſe names ſhe would mention, though ſhe had been the whole time with the ſaid Mr. Sutton; and ſhe has afterwards ſent the deponent with cards to ſuch perſons as ſhe had told her ſaid huſband ſhe had viſited, with a view, as the deponent believes, to prevent his detecting her; and further he knows not to depoſe to the ſaid article.

THOMAS PARKER.

*May* 6, 1786.

*Depoſition of William Graham.*

WILLIAM GRAHAM, of Lincoln's Inn, in the county of Middleſex, gentleman, aged twenty years, a witneſs produced and ſworn.

To the twenty-third and twenty-fourth article of the ſaid Libel, this deponent ſaith, That he now is, and about five years laſt paſt has been, clerk in the office of Meſſieurs Graham, attorneys at law, in Lincoln's Inn; that in conſequence of ſuch his ſituation, he came to know William John Arabin, Eſquire, the producent; and ſaith, That about twelve months ago, the ſaid William John Arabin, by his attornies, the ſaid Meſſieurs Graham, brought his action in his Majeſty's Court of King's-Bench, againſt the articulate Thomas Sutton, the younger, Eſquire, for damages for criminal correſpondence, carried on by the

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ſaid Thomas Sutton with Henrietta Arabin, the wife of the ſaid William John Arabin; and on or about the ſixteenth day of June, the ſame year, the ſaid cauſe, at which the deponent was preſent, came on to be heard in his Majeſty's Court of King's Bench, at Weſtminſter, before the Right Honourable William Earl of Mansfield, and a jury duly impanneled and ſworn, when the ſaid jury, having heard the evidence, brought in a verdict for the ſaid William John Arabin, with one hundred pounds damages; and the paper-writing, marked B, annexed to the ſaid Libel, and therein pleaded, being now drawn, the deponent ſaith, That the ſame is, and do contain a true copy of the aforeſaid verdict; he, this deponent, and a clerk of the Error-office, in Portugal-ſtreet, Lincoln's-Inn, on or about the thirteenth of November laſt, having carefully examined the ſame with the original record or judgment, filed in the ſaid office, and found the ſame to agree therewith; and this deponent, in teſtimony thereof, ſigned the initial letters of

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his name to ſuch copy, and which now appears ſubſcribed thereto. And he laſtly ſaith, That he does verily believe, that William John Arabin and Henrietta Arabin, thereinmentioned, and William John and Henrietta Arabin, his wife, parties in this cauſe, were, and are the ſame perſons; and that Thomas Sutton therein mentioned, and againſt whom the ſaid action was brought, and Thomas Sutton, Libellite, was, and is one and the ſame perſon, and not diverſe.

WILLIAM GRAHAM.

## SENTENCE.

Upon hearing the depoſitions in this cauſe, it was decreed and adjudged, that Mrs. Henrietta Arabin be divorced from bed, board, and mutual cohabitation with William John Arabin, Eſq. her huſband, by reaſon of adultery.

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